



Press Release

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On: TEXAS MILK PRODUCTION
UP 9 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

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AUSTIN. . . Texas milk production totaled 526 million pounds during January, up 9 percent from last year's production of 482 million pounds. December 2003 production totaled 499 million pounds.

The number of milk cows during January averaged 317,000 head, down 3,000 head from last year but unchanged from December 2003. Production per cow averaged 1,660 pounds during January, up 10 percent from last year and 5 percent from December 2003.

Milk production in the 20 states participating in the monthly survey totaled 12.5 billion pounds, down 0.9 percent from production in these same states in January 2003. December revised production, at 12.3 billion pounds, was down 0.2 percent from December 2002.

Production per cow during January averaged 1,620 pounds, 5 pounds above a year ago. The average number of milk cows in the 20 states was 7.72 million head, 92,000 head less than last year but 5,000 head more than December 2003.